

Docket: 819 -383

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT application of )  
 Kazuo Imamura et al. )  
 Serial No. 09/094,345 )  
 Filed: May 26, 2000 )  
 For: FIBER GRATING AND METHOD AND )  
 APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING )  
 THE SAME )

) Examiner: Unassigned

) Group Art Unit: 5611

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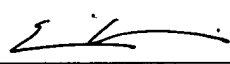
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It is requested, in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56 and 37 CFR 1.97-1.99, that the references cited in the International Search Report dated March 9, 1999 (copy enclosed herewith) be considered and made of record in the subject application. These references are listed on the Form PTO-1449 submitted herewith.

Copies of the references are not submitted herewith inasmuch as copies of the references have been provided to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as indicated in the Notification of Acceptance dated June 21, 2000.

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